

Page 2, please amend the paragraph starting at line 15 as follows:

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According to the present invention, a thermoplastic [long term] permanent adhesive is provided on one side of a glass fiber fabric wallpaper for holding the wallpaper on a wall substrate. Thermoplastic [long term] permanent adhesives are available commercially and are described, for example, in Römpp Chemie-Lexikon, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition, George Thieme Verlag, Stuttgart, New York, 1995, page 4037. Examples of suitable hot melt adhesives are "[Helmitherm] HELMITHERM 42034" from Forbo-Helmitin GmbH, Pirmasens, "[Tivomelt] TIVOLMELT 9058/30", "[Tivomelt] TIVOMELT 9041" and "[Tivomelt] TIVOMELT 9162" from Tivoli Werke Ag, Hamburg, and "[Technomelt] TECHNOMELT Q 5304" from Henkel KgaA, Düsseldorf. The ductile pressure-sensitive hot melt adhesives feature particularly long bond times, contain no hazardous ingredients, and are not self-igniting. The [long term] permanent adhesive may also undergo post-crosslinking. The [long term] permanent adhesive is applied by heat treatment to one side of the glass fiber fabric and after cooling is permanently tacky.

Page 3, please amend the paragraph starting at line 2 as follows:

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The [long-term] permanent adhesive is applied in conventional manner, for example, by applying an adhesive melt by knife coater or rollers, so that the [long term] permanent adhesive adheres only in specific locations such as dots at the raised points of the glass fiber fabric, thereby forming an interrupted or discontinuous layer of the [long term] permanent adhesive. In respect of the amount and degree of fluidization, especially of the hot melt adhesive, the application process is designed so that no [long term] permanent adhesive penetrates the glass fiber fabric and contaminates the glass fiber fabric wallpaper surface that is to be coated with paint, if desired.

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and

The prevention of the [long term] permanent adhesive from penetrating the glass fiber fabric may be additionally assisted by the structure of the glass fiber fabric. Therefore, it is also possible to pretreat the glass fiber fabric wallpaper surface facing away from the wall so that after the glass fiber fabric wallpaper has been mounted it can be painted immediately without priming beforehand. This property as well leads to an acceleration and simplification of the wallpapering and painting operation.

Art H

Page 3, please amend the paragraph starting at line 18 as follows:

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The self-adhesive glass fiber fabric wallpaper of the invention may also be sold in rolls in the manner customary for glass fiber fabric wallpapers. Contamination of the facing side or premature sticking of the facing side to itself may be prevented by a release film which is made, for example, of polyethylene and is easily removable prior to use on the [long-term] permanent adhesive reverse side of the wallpaper. Instead of polyethylene, the release film may also comprise a release paper.

Art H

Page 4, please amend the paragraph starting at line 1 as follows:

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In contrast to the known self-attaching glass fiber fabric wallpapers the glass fiber fabric wallpaper of the invention is self-adhesive. That is, the wallpaper of the present invention can be mounted on the wall without the use of an additional adhesive. The interrupted layer of thermoplastic [long-term] permanent adhesive brings about durable fixing which by virtue of subsequent additional crosslinking, indeed, produces an increasingly stronger connection between the glass fiber fabric wallpaper and the wall.

Page 4, please amend the paragraph starting at line 10 as follows:

*Amend*  
In comparison to the self-attaching glass fiber fabric wallpaper known from the prior art, the self-adhesive glass fiber fabric wallpaper of the present invention has a range of advantages. First of all, treating the surface of the wall beforehand is unnecessary. Existing wallpapers, provided they themselves are still attached well to the wall, may be used as a substrate for the new self-adhesive glass fiber fabric wallpaper. Following the mounting of the glass fiber fabric wallpaper, [it can be painted immediately on] the side facing into the room may be immediately painted[,] since it is not necessary to wait until the [long-term] permanent adhesive has dried. Therefore, the requirement of applying an adhesive to the reverse of the glass fiber fabric wallpaper is eliminated by the present invention, and there is no time delay between mounting and painting the glass fiber fabric wallpaper.

Page 4, please amend the paragraph starting at line 25 as follows:

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Removal of the wallpaper of the present invention from the wall is readily possible because the affinity of the adhesive to the wallpaper is higher than the affinity of the [long term] permanent adhesive to the substrate.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Cancel claim 11, without prejudice.

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Amend claims 7-10 and 12, as follows:

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7. (Amended) A ~~self-adhesive~~ glass fiber fabric wallpaper sheet, comprising:  
a sheet of glass fiber fabric having a first [planar] side having raised points and a second [planar] side; and